

[Mrs. J. P. Church]

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Mrs. Ella Davidson

Mrs. J.P. Church and her sister Mrs. Davidson daughters of John Bolton and Ella [Doyol?] Bolton were born in Waxford Ireland.

In 1871-when small children-Mrs. Church, Mrs. Davidson and a brother came from Ireland with their mother. After landing in New York they left immediatley for Fort Stanton New Mexico to join their father, John Robert Bolton who had preceded his family to the United States and was head of the Goverment Commissary Department of the Military [encampment?] at Fort Stanton.

Covered wagons and a military escort to protect Mrs. Bolton and her children from Indians was sent to meet and act as guide for them over the old Santa Fe Trail in the journey[,?] to Fort Stanton. [C18 - 6/2/41 - N. Mex.?)

In 1873 the family moved to Lincoln New Mexico. Mrs. Church and Mrs. Davidson have lived in Roswell since 1891, and have been leaders in the social and club life of that city and active in the advanvement of the arts and cultural interests of New Mexico.

Mrs. Church was the instigator, and with the assistance of the Chaves County Archacological and Historical Society was active in the work of restoration of El Terreon

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(The Tower) at Lincoln which was built by Mexican settlers in the 50s as a protection from the Indians.

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